*MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENTS.*

## OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE IN MYSORE, BANGALORE.

### WORKING CLASS COST OF LIVING INDEX NUMBERS FOR BANGALORE CITY FOR AUGUST 1944.

The cost of Living Index Number for Bangalore City for August 1944, works out to 188·1 which is lower by 0·7 point than that for July 1944.

As compared with the previous month, the Food Index increased by 2·1 points to 216·0 due to a rise in the prices of Blackgram Dhal, Bengalgram, Avare Dhal, Coffee Seeds, Ghee, Chillies and Garlic. Due to a reduction in the prices of Clothes, the Index number of clothing Group decreased by 13·4 points to 234·8. Fuel and Lighting, House rent and miscellaneous groups remained steady.

(Average of prices from July 1935 to June 1936—100.)

| Articles | Unit of quantity | Weight proportional to total expenditure | Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936 | July 1944 | August 1944 | Index Numbers: July 1944 | August 1944 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Rs. a. p. | Rs. a. p. | Rs. a. p. | | |
| *Food—* | | | | | | | |
| Raw Rice | ... Seer | 14·0 | 0 2 2 | 0 4 0 | 0 4 0 | 185 | 185 |
| Boiled Rice | ... ,, | 22·6 | 0 2 3 | 0 4 0 | 0 4 0 | 178 | 178 |
| Ragi | ... ,, | 6·6 | 0 1 1 | 0 2 5 | 0 2 5 | 223 | 223 |
| Blackgram Dhal | ... ,, | 0·7 | 0 3 1 | 0 14 3 | 0 15 3 | 462 | 495 |
| Tur Dhal | ... ,, | 3·4 | 0 2 8 | 0 8 9 | 0 8 6 | 328 | 319 |
| Bengalgram Dhal | ... ,, | 1·4 | 0 2 11 | 0 7 10 | 0 8 8 | 269 | 297 |
| Avare Dhal | ... ,, | 0·6 | 0 2 7 | 0 7 1 | 0 7 2 | 274 | 277 |
| Green Gram | ... ,, | 1·2 | 0 2 0 | 0 7 1 | 0 6 11 | 354 | 346 |
| Sugar | ... ,, | 1·9 | 0 1 4 | 0 2 0 | 0 2 0 | 150 | 150 |
| Jaggery | ... Viss | 1·9 | 0 3 6 | 0 9 4 | 0 9 4 | 267 | 267 |
| Coffee seeds | ... Seer | 1·4 | 0 3 11 | 0 12 8 | 0 13 2 | 323 | 336 |
| Meat (weight) | ... 2 lbs. | 7·2 | 0 7 0 | 1 8 0 | 1 8 0 | 343 | 343 |
| Curds | ... Seer | 1·9 | 0 1 7 | 0 3 3 | 0 3 3 | 205 | 205 |
| Milk | ... ,, | 6·1 | 0 3 7 | 0 5 4 | 0 5 4 | 149 | 149 |
| Ghee | ... ,, | 2·7 | 0 6 0 | 1 0 7 | 1 4 9 | 276 | 346 |
| Onions | ... Viss | 1·0 | 0 1 3 | 0 4 1 | 0 3 1 | 327 | 247 |
| Vegetables | ... ,, | 5·6 | 0 2 6 | 0 5 0 | 0 5 0 | 200 | 200 |
| Fruits | ...One Doz. | 0·9 | 0 2 0 | 0 3 0 | 0 3 0 | 150 | 150 |
| Gingelly oil | ... Seer | 2·5 | 0 2 0 | 0 5 1 | 0 5 1 | 254 | 254 |
| Groundnut oil | ... ,, | 0·4 | 0 1 8 | 0 4 3 | 0 4 3 | 255 | 255 |
| Salt | ... ,, | 1·1 | 0 1 3 | 0 2 0 | 0 2 2 | 160 | 173 |
| Cocoanut | ... Each | 1·0 | 0 1 0 | 0 2 4 | 0 2 4 | 233 | 233 |
| Tamarind | ... Viss | 0·9 | 0 3 3 | 0 9 7 | 0 9 6 | 295 | 292 |
| Chillies | ... ,, | 2·0 | 0 7 4 | 1 8 8 | 1 9 4 | 336 | 345 |
| Coriander | ... Seer | 1·3 | 0 1 5 | 0 4 5 | 0 4 6 | 312 | 318 |
| Garlic | ... ,, | 0·7 | 0 2 9 | 0 4 11 | 0 5 7 | 246 | 279 |
| Wheat Flour | ... ,, | 1·4 | 0 4 10 | 0 4 10 | 0 4 10 | 100 | 100 |
| Soji | ... ,, | 1·3 | 0 4 6 | 0 4 6 | 0 4 6 | 100 | 100 |
| Ready made coffee | ... ,, | 6·3 | 1 5 7 | 1 5 7 | 1 5 7 | 100 | 100 |
| Total of all food | ... | 100·0 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Rs. a. p. | Rs. a. p. | Rs. a. p. | | |
| *Fuel and Lighting.—* | | | | | | | |
| Firewood | ... Maund | 72·0 | 0 2 6 | 0 4 11 | 0 4 11 | 197 | 197 |
| Castor Oil | ... Seer ... | 7·7 | 0 1 11 | 0 5 8 | 0 5 8 | 296 | 296 |
| Kerosene Oil | ... Bottle | 16·0 | 0 2 1 | 0 4 0 | 0 4 0 | 192 | 192 |
| Matches | ... Box of 40 sticks. | 4·3 | 0 0 2 | 0 0 5 | 0 0 5 | 250 | 250 |
| Total | ... ... | 100·0 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| *Clothing—* | Index Number—Fuel and Lighting | | | | | 206·1 | 206·1 |
| Dhoties | Pair of 8 yards. | 14·6 | 2 0 9 | 5 0 0 | 4 14 0 | 244 | 238 |
| Coating | ... Yard | 22·5 | 0 5 6 | 1 0 6 | 0 14 11 | 300 | 271 |
| Shirting | ... ,, | 21·5 | 0 4 0 | 0 10 6 | 0 9 10 | 262 | 246 |
| Cloth for Pyjamas, etc. | ,, | 3·0 | 0 4 0 | 0 13 5 | 0 13 2 | 335 | 304 |
| Saries | ... Each | 22·4 | 3 0 0 | 5 3 0 | 5 3 0 | 173 | 173 |
| Cloth for Jackets | Yard | 16·0 | 0 5 0 | 0 12 6 | 0 12 0 | 250 | 240 |
| Total | ... | 100·0 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| *House rent—* | Index Number—Clothing | | | | | 248·2 | 234·8 |
| House rent | ... | 100·0 | 2 10 3 | 2 10 3 | 2 10 3 | 100 | 100 |
| | Total ... | 100·0 | | | | | |
| *Miscellaneous—* | Index Number—House rent | | | | | 100 | 100 |
| Shaving | ... | 13·0 | 0 9 6 | 0 9 6 | 0 9 6 | 100 | 100 |
| Washing soap | ... | 17·5 | 0 4 8 | 0 4 8 | 0 4 8 | 100 | 100 |
| Supari | ... | 8·4 | 0 6 3 | 0 6 3 | 0 6 3 | 100 | 100 |
| Beedies | ... | 11·2 | 0 6 9 | 0 6 9 | 0 6 9 | 100 | 100 |
| Amusements | ... | 8·4 | 0 6 2 | 0 6 2 | 0 6 2 | 100 | 100 |
| Education | ... | 5·0 | 0 3 8 | 0 3 8 | 0 3 8 | 100 | 100 |
| Medicine | ... | 8·3 | 0 6 1 | 0 6 1 | 0 6 1 | 100 | 100 |
| Flowers | ... | 5·7 | 0 4 3 | 0 4 3 | 0 4 3 | 100 | 100 |
| Household Necessaries | | 22·5 | 1 0 8 | 1 0 8 | 1 0 8 | 100 | 100 |
| Total | | 100·0 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | Index Number—Miscellaneous | | | | | 100 | 100 |

| Group | Weights proportional to total expenditure | Group Index Numbers: July 1944 | August 1944 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Food ... ... ... | 53·5 | 213·9 | 216·0 |
| Fuel and Lighting ... ... | 7·0 | 206·1 | 206·1 |
| Clothing ... ... ... | 13·8 | 248·2 | 234·8 |
| House Rent ... ... ... | 6·4 | 100·0 | 100·0 |
| Miscellaneous ... ... ... | 19·3 | 100·0 | 100·0 |
| Total ... | 100·0 | ... | ... |
| (Cost of Living Index Number) ... | ... | 188·8 | 188·1 |

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